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SUBJECT REPLY TO US INTEREST CASE: IRENE LEONOR MARTINEZ

1. WITH FURTHER REFERENCE TO YOUR INQUIRY
CONCERNING THE DETENTION IN ARGENTINA OF IRENE LEONOR MARTINEZ,
THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED.

2. OUR RECORDS SHOW THAT MISS MARTINEZ WAS INTERVIEWED BY A
CONSULAR OFFICER AT VILLA DEVOTO PRISON ON FEBRUARY 13, 1979
AND SHE WAS FOUND TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE INTO THE UNITED
STATES. WE ISSUED A CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTABILITY TO MISS
MARTINEZ ON FEBRUARY 21, ON THE BASIS OF WHICH SHE APPLIED
FOR RELEASE UNDER THE ARGENTINE RIGHT OF OPTION PROGRAM.

3. SINCE THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINE HAS 120 DAYS WITHIN
WHICH TO MAKE A DECISION ON RIGHT OF OPTION APPLICATIONS, WE
WILL NOT KNOW THE OUTCOME OF THIS REQUEST UNTIL SOME TIME
IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR.

4. IN THE EVENT FAVORABLE ACTION IS TAKEN ON MISS MARTINEZ'
APPLICATION, WE WILL, OF COURSE, DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO

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EXPEDITE HER DEPARTURE FOR THE UNITED STATES.

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